



Special feature: Medellín's mountain of achievements

Reaching High and Moving Up



The city of Medellín in Colombia has built upon its Special Mention award in 2014 to become the 2016 Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Laureate. The city's former Mayor Aníbal Gaviria Correa and former Director of Planning Jorge Pérez Jaramillo were in Singapore in March 2016 to attend the Media Conference announcing this year's Laureate and Special Mentions – Auckland, Sydney, Toronto and Vienna – and share the story of how the world's most dangerous city was transformed into a “City of Life”.

Marcus Ng reports.

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About



The Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize is a biennial international award that honours outstanding achievements and contributions to the creation of liveable, vibrant and sustainable urban communities around the world.

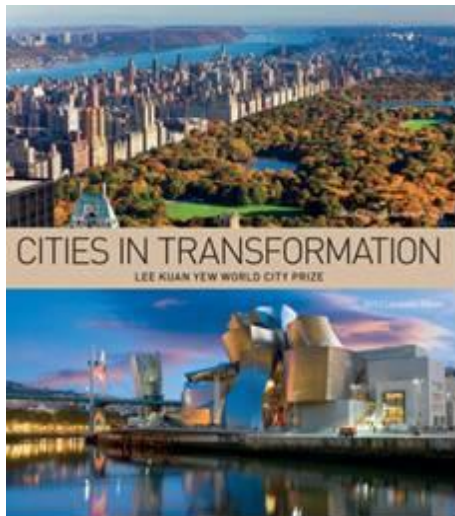
The Prize is awarded to cities and recognises their key leaders and organisations for displaying foresight, good governance and innovation in tackling the many urban challenges faced, to bring about social, economic and



The bold and visionary leaders of Medellín adopted creative and non-conventional approaches and implemented a series of social innovation and public transport initiatives to pursue social equity and improve living conditions for its people. This has contributed to the successful transformation of the city, and is one of the key reasons why the city was awarded the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize 2016.

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environmental benefits in a holistic way to their communities.

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Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Lecture & Forum at World Cities Summit 2016
11 July 2016

Lee Kuan Yew Award Ceremony & Banquet at World Cities Summit 2016
11 July 2016

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